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Note by the Secretariat

1. In paragraph 1 of its resolution 57/301 of 13 March 2003, the General Assembly decided to amend rule 1 of its rules of procedure to read: "The General Assembly shall meet every year in regular session commencing on the Tuesday of the third week in September, counting from the first week that contains at least one working day". In paragraph 2 of the resolution, the Assembly also decided that "the general debate in the General Assembly shall open on the Tuesday following the opening of the regular session of the General Assembly and shall be held without interruption over a period of nine working days".

Opening dates of the sixty-seventh to seventy-first regular sessions of the General Assembly and of the general debate

2. The following table shows the opening dates of the sixty-seventh to seventy-first regular sessions of the General Assembly and of the general debate.

Session	*Opening date of the General Assembly*	*Opening date of the general debate*
Sixty-seventh	Tuesday, 18 September 2012	Tuesday, 25 September 2012
Sixty-eighth	Tuesday, 17 September 2013	Tuesday, 24 September 2013
Sixty-ninth	Tuesday, 16 September 2014	Tuesday, 23 September 2014
Seventieth	Tuesday, 15 September 2015	Tuesday, 22 September 2015
Seventy-first	Tuesday, 13 September 2016	Tuesday, 20 September 2016

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